

IN THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

- 1–11. (Canceled)
12. (Currently amended) A matrix for transdermal administering of rotigotine, comprising
 - (a) a matrix polymer, and
 - (b) ~~supersaturated with~~ rotigotine base in a concentration above the solubility limit of rotigotine base in the matrix polymer, wherein a portion of the rotigotine base not dissolved in the matrix polymer is dispersed in the matrix polymer as amorphous particles with a maximum mean diameter of 30 μm , and the matrix is free of solvents, crystallization inhibitors and ~~dispersents~~ dispersants.
13. (Currently amended) A matrix for transdermal administering of rotigotine, consisting of:
 - (a) matrix polymer,
 - (b) rotigotine base in a concentration above the solubility limit of rotigotine base in the matrix polymer, wherein a portion of the rotigotine base not dissolved in the matrix polymer is dispersed in the matrix polymer as amorphous particles with a maximum mean diameter of 30 μm , and
 - (c) optionally one or more antioxidants.
14. (Previously presented) The matrix of claim 12 or 13 wherein the matrix polymer is an amine-resistant silicone or a mixture of amine-resistant silicones.
15. (Previously presented) The matrix of claim 12 or 13 wherein the matrix is self-adhesive.
16. (Previously presented) The matrix of claim 12 or 13 wherein the matrix consists of:
 - (a) about 60 to about 95 weight percent of an amine-resistant silicone or an amine-resistant silicone mixture,
 - (b) about 5 to about 40 weight percent amorphous rotigotine base dispersed in the silicone, and

- (c) 0 to about 2 weight percent antioxidant.
- 17. (Previously presented) A system for transdermal administering of rotigotine comprising a matrix of claims 12 or 13 and a backing.
- 18. (Previously presented) The system of claim 17 wherein the backing is impermeable to rotigotine.
- 19. (Currently amended) The system of claim 17 wherein the rotigotine ~~charge is between present in an amount of~~ 0.3 to 6 [mg/cm³] mg/cm².
- 20. (Withdrawn) A method for treating a patient suffering from or susceptible to Morbus Parkinson comprising administering rotigotine to the patient with a matrix of claim 12 or 13.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 20 wherein the patient has been identified as suffering from Morbus Parkinson and rotigotine is administered to the identified patient.
- 22. (Withdrawn) A method for treating a patient suffering from or susceptible to Restless Leg Syndrome comprising administering rotigotine to the patient with a matrix of claim 12 or 13.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 22 wherein the patient has been identified as suffering from Restless Leg Syndrome and rotigotine is administered to the identified patient.
- 24. (Withdrawn) A method for treating a patient suffering from or susceptible to depression comprising administering rotigotine to the patient with a matrix of claim 12 or 13.
- 25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 24 wherein the patient has been identified as suffering from depression and rotigotine is administered to the identified patient.
- 26. (Withdrawn) A method for producing a pharmaceutical matrix for transdermal administering of rotigotine, comprising:
 - (a) dissolving matrix polymer in one or more solvents;
 - (b) adding rotigotine base in crystalline form in a quantity above the solubility limit of the matrix polymer;

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- (c) removing solvent and heating the matrix produced in (b) to at least about 74°C for a time sufficient to melt rotigotine; and
 - (c) cooling the matrix.
27. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 26 wherein the rotigotine polymer matrix produced in (b) is applied on a substrate impermeable to rotigotine.
28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein after applying the rotigotine polymer matrix on the substrate solvent is removed.